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Tackle transformation head on

Greetings Team 19!

As we begin the New Year, it is appropriate to talk about the word that has captured everyone's interest here on the Korean peninsula – transformation.



**Brig. Gen.
Timothy P. McHale**

So, what exactly is transformation?

According to *Webster's Dictionary*, transformation is derived from the word transform, which means to "alter markedly the appearance or form of ...to change the nature, function or condition of, [and/or] a mapping of one space onto another or onto itself." In other words, transformation means change.

We all know that change can be difficult, but the future of our Nation and our Army is at stake, so we must tackle this challenge head on.

We have some of the best and brightest people working on transforming this command into a more joint-capable organization. Our goal is

to maximize our abilities on this peninsula in order to deter aggression and defend freedom. The steps that we are now taking toward transformation allow us to better achieve our purpose. We will begin to see a reorganization of functions across the peninsula, but our nature will remain the same.

We must all remember that we are an Army at war and that we must be prepared to fight and win tonight!

The 19th TSC mission, in whatever form the unit takes, will remain of utmost importance on this peninsula. You can change the name, but you won't change the fact that the 19th TSC will continue to provide outstanding logistical support to forces in Korea from the Sea to the DMZ.

In the end, we will create a stronger, more capable logistics organization that will set the standard for logistical excellence around the world.

Many units like the 4th Infantry Division, and the 101st Air Assault Division are already in the middle of transforming.

Everyone has a stake in this process,

and we all need your help. No matter where you go in the Army, you will be a part of this process to develop a stronger, more capable organization.

This is an exciting time to be a part of the world's best Army, and we should approach transformation with a sense of excitement as we alter our ability and capability.

While some changes will come quickly, others under our timeline may take a couple more years to accomplish. So, the important thing to keep in mind is that every one of us has an important role in mapping out the future of our Army.

You are serving in one of the true noble professions...the profession of arms in service to one's nation.

Your service and your ability to assist in transforming our Army, strengthens worldwide peace and freedom. The legacy that you leave behind is one that will affect generations to come. Live the Soldiers Creed! I am proud of each and every one of you.

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Team 19 talks ...

What's the best transformation rumor you've heard?



Many units are moving from their present locations. One is even moving back to the United States. It doesn't matter too much to me because wherever we are, we'll concentrate on doing our job.

Cpl. Lee Kun-Chang
501st CSG



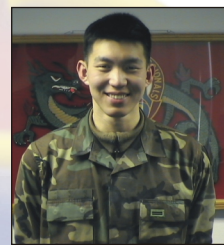
The best transformation rumor I've heard is that Command Sponsorship in Korea will go to 25 percent.

Maj. Craig S. Guth
HHC, 20th ASG



The best transformation rumor that I've heard is that parts of the 19th TSC will be moved to Hawaii.

Pfc. Marsha
Delahaye-Christie
HHC, 19th TSC



I heard 501st CSG will be moving to Camp Humphreys. My hometown is near Uijongbu. When I have a weekend pass, I will have to travel farther to visit my home.

Pfc. Seo, Pyung-Sik
501st CSG



In 90 days, 55th goes away and the Soldiers would be part of 19th TSC. Excess American Soldiers would be deployed to Iraq.

Staff Sgt. Dean Vaughn,
55th TMMC



Lunar New Year

Korea welcomes the

Story By Pvt. Park, Myung-joon
Illustration By Spc. Trent Thompson

Yet another year has passed, forcing that pesky monkey to step aside and make room for that most noble and majestic barnyard fowl. That's right. The Lunar New Year is upon us, and the Year of the Rooster is crowing at full volume.

To many westerners this may make no sense at all, but the Year of the Monkey and Year of the Rooster are just two aspects of the Lunar New Year, celebrated in many countries throughout Asia.

Unlike most westerners, Koreans celebrate New Year's Day twice a year.

Most Koreans spend Jan. 1 ringing in the New Year with champagne and party favors, but also celebrate the Lunar New Year, in accordance with the lunar calendar. The actual date of Lunar New Year's Day varies because the lunar calendar tracks the year according to the phases of the moon.

Lunar New Year's Day has a lot of meaning for many Koreans.

First of all, it is a day for honoring one's ancestors by doing "Chare," a ceremony performed in front of the grave early

in the morning to honor and show respect to one's ancestors.

Lunar New Year is also a time for family reunions. Family is very important for most Koreans, and Lunar New Year brings every family member together in one place.

"For me, the most important aspect of New Year's Day and Chusok (another Korean holiday) is meeting my family in a place together. It's also good to go to our ancestor's tombs to honor them. It's really good to be together with my family," said Pvt. Jun, Young-chul, 728th Military Police Battalion.

On Lunar New Year's Day, there are a few necessary things to accomplish. "Chare", which includes bringing food and praying to their ancestors, is still considered a sacred duty to many Koreans. However, the number of people who practice "Chare" becomes fewer every year with the spread of western culture, which treats "Chare" as a kind of Shamanism.

For young children, the most popular custom is dressing up in colored "Hanbok (Korean traditional clothing)", and performing "Sebe (New Year's day bow)" in front of the elders in their family to wish them

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e year of the rooster

luck during the new year as a reaffirmation of family ties. “Sebe” usually takes a place after “Chare” is finished. In turn, the older people usually reward the children with some words of advice and pocket change, which is called “Sebedon (the money for bowing)”.

“I think it’s good to do ‘Sebe’ on Lunar New Year’s Day with both children and their elders. Children can have a chance to pay their respects to their elders, and the older people have a chance to give some advice to the children,” said Song, Han-Cho, a Korean National employee working at Camp Henry.

Just like Thanksgiving Day in the United States, most Korean traditional holidays have their own special foods. Koreans eat “Tteokguk” on Lunar New Year’s Day.

“Tteokguk” is a special New Year’s Day soup that contains rice dumplings, radish, beef, broth and scallions.

“I guess the most representative food for Lunar New Year’s Day would be ‘Tteockguk’. In our family, we make a North Korean-style ‘Tteokguk’, which is a little bit different from common style ‘Tteokguk’,” said Song, Mi-Suk, who works in

the 19th Theater Support Command’s G-4 office.

Celebrations during Lunar New Year’s Day include many games and activities. “Yutnolee” is the most famous game associated with the Lunar New Year. It is a board game in which players try to move their game pieces toward a goal. This game has five different moves that are decided by tossing four “Yut” – sticks that determine the number of spaces a player can move. Since anyone can play “Yutnolee”, regardless of age this game is a good way to gather all of the family members around a single activity.

As the time goes by, the significance of Lunar New Year’s Day gets smaller and smaller in Korea. However, Lunar New Year’s Day is still one of the biggest holidays and most meaningful days for Koreans.

Even though western culture has spread over Korea for years, Lunar New Year’s Day is still a special holiday for Koreans. Having a good time with family members, honoring one’s ancestors and eating traditional food brings

Koreans together every year.



Surviving the tsunami:

Story by
Master Sgt. Kimberly Williams

Thankful. Blessed. Lucky.

Those three words sum up the experiences of Col. Carleton Smith, his wife, Cathy, and sons, Andrew and Neill, who survived the tsunami Dec. 26 while in Thailand.

Their long-awaited family vacation turned into a nightmare, when the killer waves struck while they were touring a local island just off the coast of Thailand.

The Smiths were in Thailand because their sons wanted to become certified scuba divers and had fallen in love with the country on a previous family visit three years ago, Cathy said. Because both sons attend college in the states, the family had to plan the trip around the Christmas holiday, she said.

“(December is) the worst time to visit Thailand, because it is the highest tourist season,” said Carleton, who is the commander of the 55th Theater Materiel Management Center, Camp Henry.

“Well, it definitely ended up being the worst time to visit,” added Cathy, with a laugh. But the laughter stopped quickly as she added, “We have to go on with life, but it is hard to make fun of the situation when so many people lost their lives.”

Once the family arrived in Thailand, Cathy said she insisted they take part in a tour program before the diving certification in Phuket. She wasn’t going to dive and wanted to see other sites in Thailand first, she said.

Cathy’s decision to do the five-day tour program through Thai Airways was the first of a series of lucky circumstances, which may have saved their lives. If they hadn’t done the tour, the family would have been in Phuket, which was devastated when the tsunami struck.

On the last day of the tour, Dec. 26, the Smiths departed their hotel in Krabi, located inland, for an all-day boat tour, Carleton said.

“We were supposed to make three stops on the longboats, and we were on stop number two when the wave hit,” said Andrew, who is a freshman at Texas A&M in Galveston, Texas.

The longboats dropped off the passengers on Poda Island for a two-hour stop to snorkel and swim, Carleton said.

“We got to the island at about 10:30 a.m. local time,” Cathy said. “I wanted to go snorkeling next to a rocky area, but Andrew insisted on going to the sandy beach.



The Smith family was on Poda Island when the tsunami struck.

“I didn’t argue with him, and that decision probably saved my life,” she said.

Cathy and Andrew went snorkeling for a short time and then returned to the beach. In the meantime, Carleton went swimming further out from shore. Their other son, Neill, a junior at Penn State at State College, Pa., went for a walk to the other side of the island, and the rest of the family was unaware of his location.

The first indication of the nightmare to follow was when Carleton noticed a change in the ocean’s current. “I could see a rip tide five yards in front of me,” he said. “I thought about warning people to get out of the water so they wouldn’t get pulled out to sea.”

Before he could yell out to others, though, a boat came by with people frantically yelling out something in Thai, Carleton said. “I didn’t know what they were saying,” he said, “but on shore, they were giving a warning to get out of the water. I couldn’t understand the language, but they made it (very) clear!”

As Carleton began to make his way back to shore, Cathy and Andrew saw the wave from the beach. “I looked up and could see the wave coming from the side,” Cathy said.

Then, Carleton looked behind him and saw what he estimated to be a 15-18 foot wave coming at him. “This doesn’t look normal,” he said to himself, as the wave picked up the large longboats and literally stood them straight up in the air.

As Cathy screamed at him to come back in, Carleton tried to make it back to shore, he said, but he didn’t make it.

“The wave somersaulted me,” he said. “Knowing I couldn’t do anything about the wave, I went with it until I could catch some air.”

When he finally surfaced, Carleton found himself “body surfing” the wave, which was rushing toward the shoreline, he said. “I could see Cathy being pushed out in front of me,” he added.

one family's experience

"Everyone was shoved back toward the tree line," Andrew said.

Luckily, the giant wave that swept Carleton, Cathy and Andrew into the tree line, left them only with minor cuts, bruises and scrapes.

But, as the wave receded, panic set in as they realized that Neill was missing, Carleton said. "It was about 20 minutes later before we found Neill," he said.

"That was the first time of real thanks, when we found out everyone was OK," he added.

Neill had been looking out over the ocean from the other side of the island, Cathy said, and had moved up to higher ground when he saw the waves coming.

As everyone reunited, the local guides told the tourists that they had never seen anything like this, Carleton said. "For some reason, we all guessed it was an earthquake, but we had no idea of the scale of devastation," he said.

Three tourists on the island suffered major injuries during the first wave, including what appeared to be a broken neck and leg, Carleton said. Everyone else was cut up and bruised, he said.

Then, as everyone tried to calm down, people started screaming that another wave was coming, Carleton said.

The guides quickly moved everyone to higher ground. When the second wave hit, Cathy said she saw boats on shore lifted up and slammed against the tree line.

"Longboats are pretty big boats, and two of them that I saw were smashed against the trees," she said.

After that, the Thai tour guides insisted that they move even higher up against the mountain," Cathy said.

From their location against the mountain, the group couldn't see any waves after the second one, but they estimated another four or five waves hit the island, Carleton said.

Throughout the day, group members ventured out to recover personal items left in the trees and bushes by the waves, Cathy said.

"Of course all the boats that took us to the island were smashed, and no one's cell phones worked," she said. The Smiths said they are still amazed at how quickly they were rescued from the island.

The three severely injured tourists were taken off the island first, and then a government-owned boat came back for the rest of them at around 4:30 p.m., Cathy said.

Two hours later, the boat dropped them off at the Port of Krabi, which is located up a river

from the coast. "We didn't know where we were," Cathy said.

"Everything was shut down. We finally found a shopkeeper who helped us find transportation back to our hotel," Carleton said.

As the family traveled back to their hotel in Krabi, they didn't see the devastation left by the tsunami. But, as they passed a local hospital, they saw it was overflowing with people getting care and looking for those who were missing, Cathy said.

"It gave us a sense of how big an effect the wave had," she said.

When they family arrived at their hotel, they were relieved to find it intact. "We were fortunate that the hotel was in one piece," Cathy said.

However, the hotel had a large convention center that quickly turned into a refugee center, she said.

"A lot of people came to the hotel and only had the swimsuits they were wearing," Andrew said.

The convention center was soon overflowed with tsunami survivors, many with injuries, Cathy said. "It was like you were at a hospital," she said.

It wasn't until the next day that the family was able to see any news reports and truly understand the large-scale devastation of the tsunami.

As the family was not ready to travel again so soon after the tsunami, the hotel let them keep their room for a few extra nights, she said. "It was so emotionally draining," Cathy said. "We needed to rest."

As the Smiths recovered from the shock of the tsunami, they realized how lucky they truly were. The timing of their visit to Poda Island may have saved their lives.

"Where we were the day before and where we were going the next day were both devastated," Cathy said. "Even on the boat trip, the first and third stops were both devastated."

And, because Poda Island doesn't have any large facilities other than a restaurant, there wasn't any large debris in the water to cause harm to the tourists as they were swept inland by the wave, Carleton said.

Even Andrew's decision to snorkel away from the rocks played a large part in preventing a family tragedy.

"We were really lucky and blessed," said Cathy.

The Smiths rested for three nights at Krabi before traveling to Bangkok, where they stayed for two nights, she said.

"We scheduled an earlier flight and returned to Korea on New Year's Eve," said Carleton. "Coming back to Korea really felt like home," he said. "I was relieved to get back."

Despite the traumatic experience, the Smiths said they would definitely return to Thailand if they had the opportunity. "The best way to help them is to return and support tourism," said Andrew.

Additionally, the family would like to see if there is a way to help their tour guide get a new boat. "Boats cost more than most people there make in their lifetime," Carleton said.

Whether their survival was due to luck, good timing or fate, the Smiths are forever changed by this experience.

"It certainly changes your priorities," Cathy said. "It was a good reminder about what's important rather than urgent in your life."

Carleton agreed. "It has made me more focused on carrying out my purpose in life," he said.

In case this happens to you ...

In the event that a natural disaster or some other type of tragedy strikes while traveling overseas, leaving a travel record behind is essential.

Soldiers are required to leave a detailed itinerary with their unit, and family members, DoD employees and contractors are urged to leave itineraries with their offices, families or friends.

In addition, travelers can register their trip with the Department of State. Travel registration is a free service provided by the U.S. Government to U.S. citizens who are traveling to, or living in, a foreign country. Registration allows travelers to record information about their upcoming trip abroad that the Department of State can use to assist them in case of an emergency. Americans residing abroad can also get routine information from the nearest U.S. embassy or consulate. The web site is: <https://travelregistration.state.gov/ibrs>.



Military cooks simmer, sauté Certified C

Story and Photos

By Sgt. Jimmy Norris

White-coated evaluators wandered up and down aisles of cooking stations, scribbling notes and making comments while sizzling, chopping and bubbling sounds filled the atmosphere. The smells of simmering spices and frying chicken emanated from skillets, while bursts of flame randomly leapt into the air.

For all of the military cooks involved, both the environment and the cuisine were a far cry from the dining facilities and field kitchens they were used to. While it may have been a welcome break from their day-to-day routines, the pressure to perform was definitely heating up.

Chosen for this unique program, either by command recommendation or by winning cook of the quarter within their units, each cook is part of the many teams that serve piles of steaming hot food to masses of U.S. Army Soldiers across the peninsula. But each of the 15 cooks at the Woosong Culinary Academy stood alone Jan. 21 as they sautéed, simmered and chopped their way to new levels of proficiency, all hoping to pass their tests and earn the title Certified Culiniarian, from the American Culinary Federation.

For 10 days, the cooks studied under a group of international chefs – learning subjects ranging from vegetable cuts and sauces, to portion control and sanitation. For many, the information was new; for others, it was a well-timed refresher course.

In either case, the obstacles involved in obtaining certification presented a challenge.

“The standards are very high. The cooks work within a very limited amount of time, and they have to do everything right, according to textbook standards,” explained Chief Warrant Officer Travis Smith, food advisor for 19th Theater Support Command. Smith is one of those officers responsible for establishing the certification course for cooks stationed in Korea.

Smith said he’d been researching ways to integrate culinary certification for more than two years. After his April 2004 ar-

rival in Korea, the opportunity finally came.

Prior to Smith’s arrival, 19th TSC had already contacted the Woosong Culinary Academy about the possibility of providing additional training for Army cooks.

“When I brought the idea of certification up to [Maj. Gen. Jeanette Edmunds], she said ‘make it happen,’” said Smith.

But making it happen, he said, was easier said than done. According to Smith, Army doctrine couldn’t justify the need to pay for cooks to become certified culinarians. Smith helped clear up the legal concerns by integrating the certification process into the training.

The result was an opportunity cooks can’t find anywhere else in the Army.

According to Col. Stephen M. Green, 19th TSC Chief of Staff, the certification course will be an enormous benefit to the Army.

“Korea is really two six-month tours. People get here, then go home for a month on mid-tour. When they get back, they’re only here for six more months, and all they can see is that next plane ticket home,” he explained. “What we’re hoping is that when people will get here and see an opportunity to improve themselves and their own skills, they’ll see an incentive to stay an extra year, and earn an additional \$300 a month.”

Cooks from throughout the Eighth U.S. Army participated in the program. They said it was not only a refreshing change



Above: Pfc. Jared Lupin, Headquarters and Support Company evaluators for certification. Left: Various chicken dishes sit ready to be served. Below: Pfc. Jared Lupin, Headquarters and Support Company evaluators for certification. Left: Various chicken dishes sit ready to be served. Below: Pfc. Jared Lupin, Headquarters and Support Company evaluators for certification. Left: Various chicken dishes sit ready to be served.

of pace, but good training as well.

“It was a lot of fun and we learned a lot,” said Spc. Thomas Edward, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Brigade, 2nd Infantry Regiment.

“It was a great refresher, and I learned a lot about total quality management, working together as a team and preparing different garnishes,” added Spc. Jay Riff, 305th Quartermaster Battalion.

In addition to getting a chance to enhance their skills, the cooks also got an opportunity to exercise their creativity.

“This is very different from we do in the



utee way to success as ... Culinarians



3rd Military Intelligence Battalion, prepares to present his work to
dy for tasting by evaluators, who will determine if the cooks have



Above: Staff Sgt. Bernard Book, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 4th Squadron, 7th Cavalry Regiment, breaks up parsley for use as a garnish during his practical test for certification as a culinarian. Right: Brad Barnes, national certification chair for the American Culinary Federation samples the results of the Woosong Academy's 10-day certification course as part of his evaluation of the cooks.

[dining facilities] on a daily basis,” said Pfc. Jared Lupin, Headquarters and Support Company, 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion. “It kind of allows us to do our own thing and use our own flavor. Whereas in the d-fac it’s more standardized and less individual.”

While the foods the cooks were preparing during their certification test — chicken in white-wine-mushroom sauce and julienne carrots for example — aren’t likely to appear in the local chow hall anytime soon, the improvement and addition of new skills should show, said Smith.

Improved organizational skills and planning

skills, along with a higher level of cooking proficiency were all built into the course. And according to Brad Barnes, national certification chair for the American Culinary Federation, there are some skills that show no matter what’s on the menu.

“When you have a plate of food in front of you, whether it’s lobster thermadore or chipped beef on toast, if you don’t prepare it properly or don’t season it correctly, it’s not going to taste right. What they’re learning here can be applied no matter what they’re doing,” he said.

By the time the students graduated, 11 of

the 15 had passed their certification tests and earned the right to call themselves certified culinarians.

Two would have to retake the written test, and two would have to retake the practical test.

But Smith explained that whether the cooks earned their certifications or not, their training at the Woosong Culinary Academy would be invaluable.

“A lot of the culinary skills that are required [for certification] take a little time to master,” he said. “But the organizational and cooking skills they’ve learned will last them a lifetime.”

Korean cadets experience U.S. Army up close

Story by
Cpl. Hwang Kyoo-Won

Being allies and working closely as a team is important for the U.S. and the Republic of Korea. Soldiers from Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 19th Theater Support Command visited the Korea Third Military Academy to teach and demonstrate the use of U.S. military weapons and equipment Dec. 13-14.

Sgt. 1st Class Dale Little, noncommissioned officer for the Civil Military Operations, 19th TSC and Sgt. 1st Class James Decoite, platoon sergeant for G3, gave classes on U.S. Army small arms including the M9 Beretta pistol, M16-A2 rifle, M203 grenade launcher, and the M249 squad automatic rifle.

Little also gave a class on basic infantry equipment, including load bearing vests, Kevlars, ruck sacks and sleeping bags, that U.S. Soldiers use during wartime.

"The cadets were very enthusiastic and amazed by the similar, but quite different, equipment that we use," said Little. "They were also interested how our lives are in the Army."

Sgt. 1st Class Decoite hoped to do live-fire training rather than teach classes in classrooms. "It would be great if the cadets had the chance to fire the weapons they learned during the class. That way they'll definitely know how the weapon works," he said.

This has been the second time, the KTMA English Department requested for U.S.



Cpl. Sohn, Il Do

Sgt. 1st Class Dale Little, 19th TSC, gives a class on small arms the U.S. Army uses.

Soldiers to teach on U.S. military subjects during their English class. Lt. Col. Bryan Groves, assistant chief of staff of the Civil Military Operations office, 19th TSC, coordinated the classes and also gave a class on how to brief a commander.

"The purpose of this program is to strengthen the partnership and the alliance between the U.S. and the ROK Army and expose the cadets to different cultures in the armies," said Little.

Listening carefully to the classes and asking many questions, the cadets were eager to learn about U.S. Army and everything relating to the army.

"At first, I thought they were sleeping through my class, because they were so quiet. But after my class I had so many questions asked that I didn't have enough time to answer all of them," said Little.

Having the opportunity to

participate in the training will give the cadets personal help later on. After two years of training, the KTMA cadets will play an important role in the ROK Army. Some of them even might have to work with the U.S. Army, said Cpt. Park, Kyoo Hong, an officer in the KTMA English Department.

For this reason KTMA staff thought these classes would be a good introduction to the U.S. Army.

"This could be their best chance to experience some of the equipment that they won't use in the ROK Army and a great them to work with U.S. Soldiers," said Park.

For the U.S. Soldiers, this training was an opportunity for them to learn about the ROK Army.

"I was impressed how well the cadets were disciplined," said Little. "They knew where to be at the right time and acted how they should act."

Not having enough time to teach everything they wanted to teach, Little is anxious to go to the next trip to KTMA. "The classes were very big, and I couldn't get to talk to each and every one or answer all of their questions," said Little. "Next time I hope we have more classes and have more Soldiers out there with cadets broken down into smaller groups, so that we can train them in more detail."



Cpl. Sohn, Il Do

Sgt. 1st Class James Decoite, 19th TSC, demonstrates how an M9 pistol works to the KTMA cadets.

194th Maint. Bn. trains in the cold

Story and photos by
Cpl. Hwang Kyoo-Won

Soldiers from the 194th Maintenance Battalion, 23rd Area Support Group, conducted an External Evaluation Exercise at Training Area Tom from Jan. 23 to 30, starting with a Noncombatant Evacuation Operation.

“The purpose of this EXEVAL is to validate our training objectives, which are to deploy and occupy a logistics support area, get out in the field, set up our logistics bases, and test our capability and to do our mission in a tactical situation, said Lt. Steven Elkins, commander of 194th Maint. Bn.

The mission of the 194th Maint. Bn. is to provide ground and aviation combat service support throughout Area III, and this is what the Soldiers in 194th Maint. Bn. should be ready for in wartime, said Elkins.

The EXEVAL provided the Soldiers with some valuable training that they wouldn’t normally get.

“We are also out here to test several other things that we normally don’t get the opportunity to do in garrison, such as the connectivity ability to be able to send back the data that we need to make the supply system work,” said Elkins.

The 194th Maint. Bn. had another unit working and giving them suggestions, which made the EXEVAL more successful.

“We had a set of extra eyes in the field, by getting second opinions by the 498th Corps Support Battalion, who were also serving as operation control out here where we share similar missions,” Elkins said. “We can compare the way we do operations and get collaborated learning experience.”

The Soldiers prepared for months to execute this exercise.

“We had several training events over the last six months that led to this exercise,” he said. “Even the Ulchi Focus Lens exercise was in preparation for this EXEVAL.”

Soldiers trained themselves during sergeant’s time training, so that when they go out in the field and face any challenge, they would react promptly.

Staff Sgt. Montenez Smith, noncommissioned officer in charge of the water purification team, 348th Quartermaster Company, said they did many field exercises in case of bad weather.

For the water purification team, the weather plays a major role, which gives them the hardest time in the field, said Smith. He said that last year the weather was so cold that the surface of the river froze and they had to poke a hole to get to the water below the ice.

Luckily the weather was not as cold as it was during last year’s EXEVAL. The Soldiers got the chance to learn something new related to their jobs. “This is a good opportunity for Soldiers and I, personally, to get good



Spc. Charles Sloan, 348th Qm. Co., and Staff Sgt. Smith, 348th Qm. Co., set up a water pump to purify the water from the river.

training. All the platoons are getting together and helping each other,” said Pfc. Christopher Ritchey, 520th Maint. Co. “You always learn something new.”

“Training out in the field makes you strong not just physically, but mentally too,” said Smith. “It’s very hard work, and you have to come together as a team, and you have to be mentally strong to make a difference,” he said.



Soldiers stand guard at the gate and along the perimeter.



Command Team seminar kicks off

19th TSC Commander, Brig. Gen. Timothy P. McHale, begins the day by addressing the assembled company command teams of the 19th TSC prior to physical training at Camp Walker as part of the day's seminar.

**Story and Photos by
Sgt. Jimmy Norris**

Company commanders and first sergeants from every company in the 19th Theater Support Command met at Camp Walker's Evergreen Community Club Jan. 13 for the 19th TSC's first Company Command Team Seminar.

The one-day event, which featured classes including operations, suicide prevention, transportation and safety, was designed to facilitate teambuilding and provide a training opportunity for what 19th TSC Commanding General, Brig. Gen. Timothy P. McHale, said were the most important Soldiers in the 19th TSC.

"The most important jobs in this command are company commanders and first sergeants, and that's as a team," McHale said during his opening remarks to the assembled command teams. "This seminar is designed to give you some tools to be successful."

The event actually began the night before the seminar with an icebreaker and slide presentation by Korean War hero, General

Paik Sun-Yup, who halted the South Korean retreat from Pusan and held the area against a North Korean assault. The following morning the company commanders and first sergeants assembled at Kelly Field for grass drills with McHale and 19th TSC Command Sergeant Major Larry Taylor.

Taylor also had some words of advice for the command teams before the beginning of the seminar.

"It ain't about, 'I'm a first sergeant or the company commander, so I'm gonna do what I want to do.' It's about creating an atmosphere where the Soldier can work," he said. "When you take the oath to be a first sergeant, you've got to be serious about it."

The company commanders and first sergeants in attendance said the event was a valuable training event, and they looked forward to the next iteration of the biannual seminar.

"I've learned that there are a lot more requirements than I thought there were before. We really weren't holding up our end of the deal on Equal Opportunity and G-3 reporting

requirements. This is my second company command, and I'm still learning new things," said Capt. Byron Kemp, commander, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 20th Area Support Group.

"This seminar adds to our knowledge and brings to mind the things we need to focus on as company commanders and first sergeants," said 1st Sgt. Dwight Hill, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 19th TSC. "It also showed us some of the different tools that are out there for us to utilize."

The seminar gave command teams an opportunity to learn more about their roles as commanders and first sergeants. But, according to McHale, there was more to the event than simply giving the command teams new information or refreshing things they already knew.

"The bottom line is team building on important issues to make command teams successful in accomplishing their missions in support of our war plans," he said.

New Safety campaign kicks off

By Sgt. 1st Class Charles Ryan
Command Safety NCOIC

The best way to announce the new Safety Campaign is to quote Brig. Gen. Timothy P. McHale's opening statement; "As the Commanding General of the 19th Theater Support Command, to eliminate accidents, injuries, alcohol/drug related incidents, and damage to or loss of our equipment, I am implementing the following 19th TSC 2005 Safety Campaign."

The 19th TSC Safety Office has set up a dedicated phone line and answering machine to accept and forward any safety-related issue, warning or concern. Soldiers and civilians can call DSN 768-7238. After duty hours, emergencies should be reported to the appropriate staff duty officer or charge of quarters. Callers will be asked to leave a brief, but accurate description of the safety issue, issue's location, and the unit that it involves. Callers may leave name and phone number, if a response is required.

As of Jan. 27, leader's books that are carried by a 19th TSC's section, squad or platoon sergeant will have a Tab S in their books.

Items found in Tab S should include:

Soldier Safety Spread Sheet, blank 19th TSC Off-Duty Risk Assessment forms, as well as the subordinate's last holiday/pass risk assessment sheet, blank risk-management sheets, and the "Leader's Guide to Risk Management" located on the Intranet: <https://www-eusa-3.korea.army.mil/19tsc/G-1/19th%20TSC%20Safety/Default.htm>

The TEAM 19 Safety Mat Award, is an entrance mat that will serve to tell all unit members and visitors, that this unit had that quarter's finest Safety Program. This quarterly brigade/group level safety award will go to the unit that best meets four goals: the highest percentage of collateral duty safety officers who have completed the Commander's Safety Course and the 19th TSC Collateral Duty Safety Officer/NCO course, the highest percentage of company commanders who have completed the Commander's Safety Course, zero alcohol/drug related accidents and has the largest reduction of recordable accidents during the quarter.

The 19th TSC also announced the 119-Day Accident Prevention Award. Any brigade or group that completes 119 consecutive days without experiencing a class A, B or C accident and zero alcohol related accidents

will be granted a training holiday. Off-duty sports related events and no fault accidents will not count against the unit's recordable accident experience for this award.

New arrivals, and sponsors need to be aware of three safety measures that are implemented during the first 30 days of arrival. All 19th TSC Collateral Duty Safety Officers / NCOs will complete the 19th TSC CDSO course. In addition, all CDSOs/NCOs must complete the Commander's Safety Course within 30 days of appointment.

All commissioned officers and senior NCOs (master sergeant or above) will complete the online Commander's Safety Course within 30 days of in-processing. All company commanders must complete the Commander's Safety Course prior to assuming command. Individuals may log onto the Army Safety Center Web page, or the 19th TSC Safety Intranet page to take the course.

All brigades/groups will incorporate the "Be Safe" video into their commands in-

processing procedures. Commanders will ensure all Soldiers view the video within 30 days of assignment. Commanders will report their unit's status on all three of these measures, during Quarterly Training Briefs.

Remaining from last year's safety campaign are the 19th TSC Off-Duty Individual Risk Assessments, TEAM 19 Safety Article Contest, CDSOs Badges, and the Safety Dots, which are now orange colored for all of TEAM 19. Any campaign questions can be directed to the 19th TSC Command Safety Office, 768-6648.

"Safety is an issue that affects both our professional and personal lives. We must make every effort to eliminate injuries, damage to or loss of equipment and alcohol/drug related incidents," said McHale. "Injuries and damage to our equipment affect our readiness and our ability to the 'fight tonight.' I expect 100 percent participation in the above safety initiatives and look forward to a successful safety campaign. TEAM 19! Be Safe!"

An open 'thank-you' letter from the 19th TSC Safety Office to all members of TEAM 19!...or in this case... TEAM SAFETY!

Our 2004 Safety Campaign not only proved to be an accident-reducing success, but was considered one of the Army Safety Center's 'Best Practices' in 2004, even making the



cover of the Safety Center's magazine. Whether you wore the vests, enforced the dots, or filled out an Off-Duty Risk Assessments; thanks for being safe !!

Useful English Expressions

From the TEAM 19 Magazine

일상생활 영어 표현 및 이런 것이 사람들에게 알려졌으면 좋겠다는 내용을 가지고 있는 분은 저희 사무실 DSN 768-7353으로 연락 주시기 바랍니다.

Expressions

1. Catch fire - 불이나다

A: Don't smoke at the gas station.

A: 주유소에서 담배 피우지 마시오.

B: How come?

B: 왜 그렇습니까?

A: This place can easily catch fire from the gasoline on the floor.

A: 바닥에 기름이 흐른 상태에서 담배를 실수로 떨어뜨리면 우리 모두 죽을 수 있습니다.

B: You're right.

B: 당신 말이 맞습니다.

2. Look into - 연구하다, 조사하다

A: What's going on with the Moore case?

A: 무어씨 재판이 어떻게 되고 있습니까?

B: I've had no time to look into it.

B: 자세히 들여다볼 시간이 없었습니다.

A: Well, Mr. Moore has already called three times.

A: 근데, 무어씨에게서 벌써 전화가 3번이 나왔었습니다.

B: I know. I answered his call this morning.

B: 압니다. 오늘 아침에 무어씨 전화를 받았 습니다.

A: You'd better get moving on his case. He is paying us a lot to represent him.

A: 그 재판에 신경을 더 써야겠습니다.. 변 호비용으로 우리에게 많은 돈을 지불하고 있습니다.

B: Yes, I know.

B: 예, 알겠습니다.

3. Keep track of - 기억하고 있다, ...을 놓치지 않도록 하다

A: How is your science experiment going?

A: 과학 실험 잘 되어가고 있습니까?

B: I hate doing it.

B: 실험하는 것이 너무 싫습니다.

A: How come?

A: 왜 그렇습니까?

B: It is so tedious. You have to keep track of every little detail.

B: 너무 짜증납니다.. 아주 작은 세부적 인 것들도 다 기억하고 있어야 하기 때 문입니다.

A: I can imagine.

A: 이해가 갑니다.

B: Luckily, I'll be done by tonight.

B: 다행히 오늘밤이면 다 끝낼 수 있을 것 같습니다.

36통신대대의 DMZ체험 투어



Sgt. Jimmy Norris

한국군 헌병이 DMZ에서 보초를 서고 있다.

36통신대대 본부중대 병장 서진태

2005년 1월 27일과 28일, 36통신대대 본부중대는 새로운 한 해를 맞음에 따라 현재 군복을 입고 있는 이유와 지켜야 할 것들에 대한 사명감을 다시 한 번 새롭게 상기하기 위하여 분단의 상처가 확인한 DMZ를 탐방 하러 갔다.

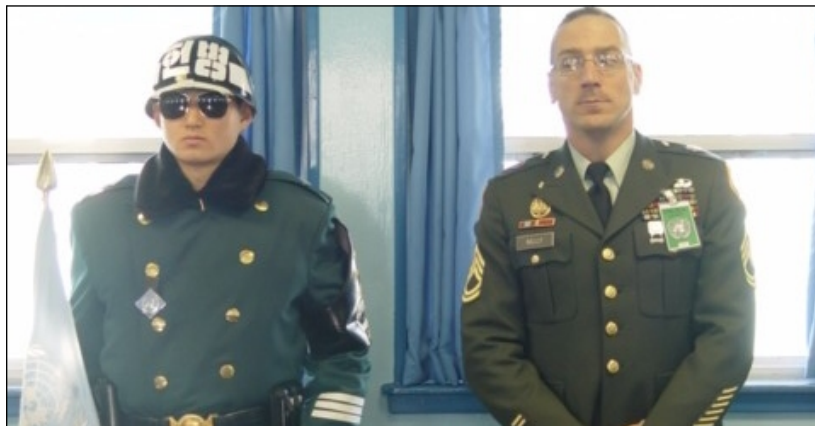
카투사와 미군 양 측 모두 이 투어에 많은 기대를 안고 출발하였다. 27일 저녁, 서울 캠프 용산에 도착한 일행은 카투사와 미군 이 섞여 함께 저녁을 먹고 시내관광을 하며 전우애를 더욱 굳게 다졌다. 다음날 아침, 처음으로 DMZ를 방문하는 대부분의 참가 자들은 말로만 듣던 국방의 최전선의 분위 기에 긴장하는 마음으로 버스에 몸을 실었 다. 캠프 보니파스에 도착한 일행은 DMZ

와 공동경비구역JSA에 대한 기본적인 브리핑을 받았다. 항상 긴장된 분위기 었음을 알고 있었으나, 도끼만행사건이 나 소련인 망명에 이은 충격전에 관하 여 몰랐던 인원들은 브리핑을 통하여 그들이 현재 있는 장소와 보러 갈 장소 가 얼마나 위험한 곳인지를 제대로 인 지할 수 있었다. 끝으로 여러 안전수칙 과 지켜야 할 점들을 설명받은 후, 일행 은 DMZ의 남방한계선을 지나 공동경 비구역으로 향하였다. 일행은 대성동과 북한의 기성동에 관하여 깊은 관심을 가 지고 설명을 들었고, 북한군의 동태 를 빈틈없이 감시하는 240초소, 241초 소를 먼 발치에서 바라보며 마음 속으로 격려를 보내었다. 분단의 현실이 잘 드러나는 공동경비구역의 자유의 집, 여러 회의실들을 보며 카투사들은 울분 을 느꼈고, 미군들은 엄숙한 마음가짐

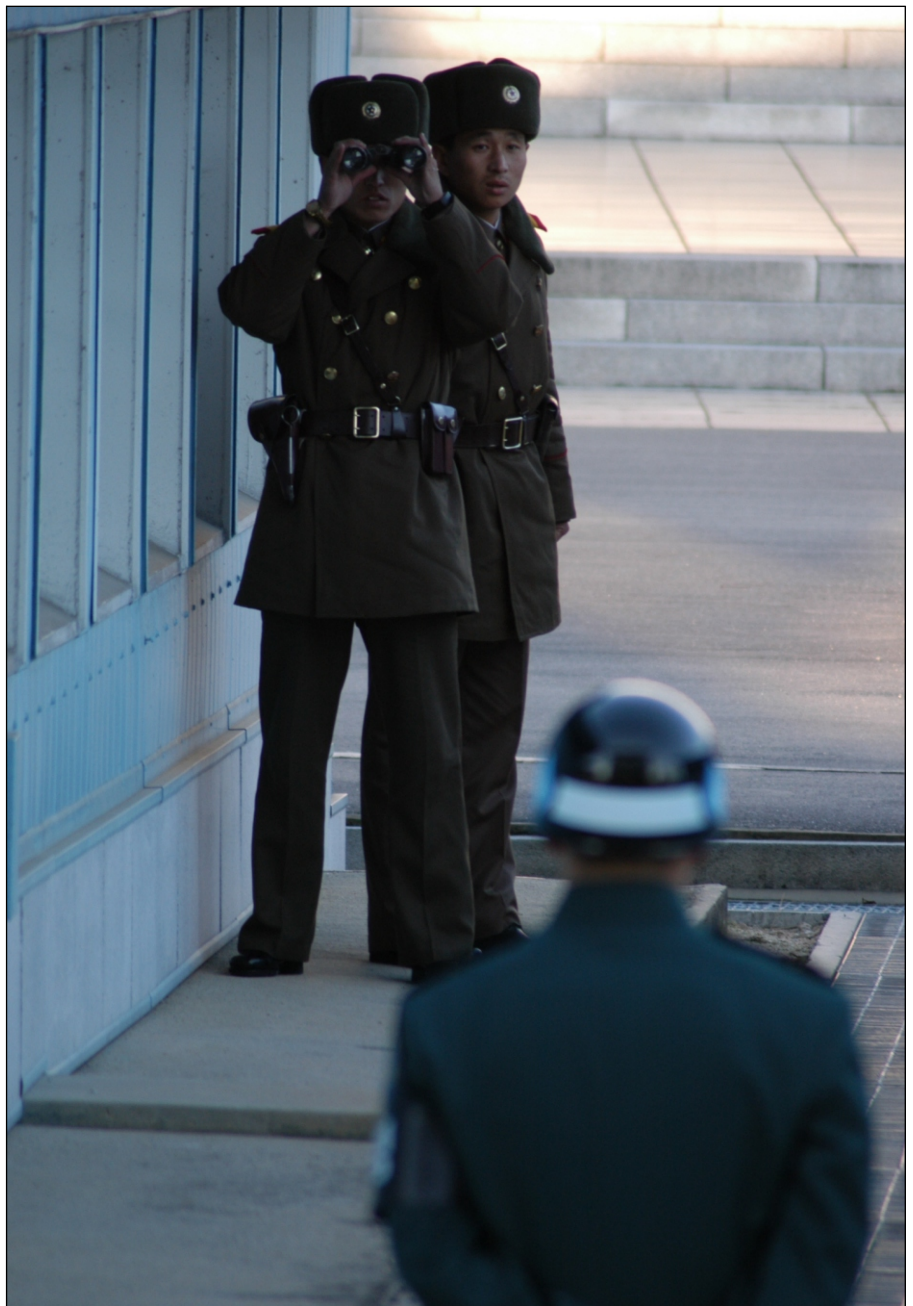
으로 이 모든 장소를 둘러보았다. 이어서 일행은 도끼만행사건의 현장과 돌아오지 않는 다리를 지켜보고 다시 캠프 보니파스로 돌아왔다.

방금 보고 들은 슬픈 현실에 대하여 여러 이야기를 나누며 일행은 다음 탐방 예정지인 제 3땅굴과 도라전망대로 향하였다. 제 3땅굴에 들어가기 전, 일행은 DMZ 영상기념관을 방문하여 그 일부만을 볼 수 있었던 DMZ의 아름다운 자연, 그러면서도 슬픈 역사, 그리고 이를 극복하려는 현재의 노력 등 지금까지 몰랐던 DMZ의 여러 다양한 모습을 새로 배웠다. 마침내 땅굴에 직접 걸어 들어간 일행은 그 깊이와 길이에 놀랐으며, 이러한 땅굴이 더 있었다는 사실에 놀라움과 두려움을 느꼈다. 땅굴이 어둡고 좁아 대부분의 일행이 불편해 했던 반면, 마지막 방문지였던 도라전망대에서의 경관은 이들의 마음을 새롭게 하였다. 지금까지 둘러본 장소들을 먼 거리에서 보며 일행은 안타까움과 슬픔을 안고 저 멀리 닿지 않는 북쪽의 땅에 대한 감상에 젖었다. 마침내 모든 일정을 마치고 부대로 돌아가는 버스에 몸을 실었을 때, 모두의 마음에는 각자 깊이 느낀 바가 있었다. 자대에 갓 전입한 윤희웅 이병은 “이번 탐방을 통하여 내가 무엇을 위하여 싸우고 있는가, 무엇을 위한 군생활을 하고 있는가에 대한 해답을 얻었다.” 라고 말하며 자신에게 다가온 이 탐방의 의미를 설명하였다. 맥컬 상병은 뽕뽕記? 북한과 얼마나 가까이 있는지를 이번 탐방을 통해 알게 되고 놀랐다. 특히 남한에서 북한의 여러 경관들을 직접 눈으로 확인하고 나니 남한과 현재 우리가 처한 상황에 대하여

더욱 뚜렷한 현실감을 가질 수 있었다. 내게 있어서 매우 보람있는 탐방이었다.”라며 자신의 생각을 밝혔다.



본부중대 선임부사관 1SG 마이클 켈리중사공동경비구역 헌병과 사진을 찍고 있다.



두명의 북한군이 경계 넘어의 관광투어팀 관찰하고 있다.

Sgt. Jimmy Norris



제 3 경비초소의 기념비 앞에서 상병 맥컬, 일등상사 켈리, 준위 패야드가 사진을 찍고 있다.

NCO Induction Ceremony



New noncommissioned officers from Area IV recite the NCO Creed during the induction ceremony.



Spc. Raymond Liddell and Staff Sgt. Roberto Lambert, both from 55th TMMC, participate in a skit about warrior ethos.

**Fifty five
noncommissioned
officers from units all
over Area IV were
inducted into the NCO
Corps Jan. 18 at the
Camp Henry Theater.**